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**Status**

1)☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on *30 October 2006*.

2a)☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b)☐ This action is non-final.

3)☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

**Disposition of Claims**

4)☒ Claim(s) *1-34,36-53,55 and 57-68* is/are pending in the application.

4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.

5)☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.

6)☒ Claim(s) *1-34,36-53,55 and 57-68* is/are rejected.

7)☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.

8)☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

**Application Papers**

9)☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.

10)☒ The drawing(s) filed on *30 October 2006* is/are: a)☒ accepted or b)☐ objected to by the Examiner.

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Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).

11)☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

**Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119**

12)☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

a)☐ All b)☐ Some * c)☐ None of:

1.☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

2.☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.

3.☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
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## DETAILED ACTION

### *Remarks*

1. Claims 1-34, 36-53, 55 and 57-68 are pending.

### *Claim Objections*

2. Claim 1 is objected to because of the following informalities:

   a. As per claim 1, line 2: "a data processor:" should be "a data processor;" (note: colon should be a semicolon).

   Appropriate correction is required.

### *Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 101*

3. 35 U.S.C. 101 reads as follows:

> Whoever invents or discovers any new and useful process, machine, manufacture, or composition of matter, or any new and useful improvement thereof, may obtain a patent therefor, subject to the conditions and requirements of this title.

1. Claims 14-33 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. The cited claims do not produce a useful, concrete and tangible result.

Claims 14-33 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. The claims do not recite a practical application by producing a physical transformation or producing a useful, concrete, and tangible result. To perform a physical transformation, the claimed invention must transform an article or physical object into a different state or thing. Transformation of data is not a

physical transformation. A useful, concrete, and tangible result must be either specifically recited in the claim or flow inherently therefrom. To be useful the claimed invention must establish a specific, substantial, and credible utility. To be concrete the claimed invention must be able to produce the same results given the same initial starting conditions. To be tangible the claimed invention must produce a practical application or real world result. In this case the claims fail to perform a physical transformation because the claims are directed to operating on data. The claims are useful and concrete, but they fail to produce a tangible result because no result is stored to non-volatile media or made tangible by, for example, returning a result to a user.

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

> A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –
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> (e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

3. Claims 14-23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Grosvenor et al. ('Grosvenor' hereinafter) (Publication Number 20030021591).

As per claim 14, Grosvenor teaches

A method for wireless bonding of devices and communicating media file transfer parameters, the method comprising: (see abstract and background)

monitoring, at a master device, an area of interest for the presence of potential bondable devices; receiving, at the master device, a presence signal from a potential bondable device; (paragraph [0055])

determining bond capability of the potential bondable device; (compatible cameras, paragraph [0056])

approving the potential bondable device as a bonded device; (synchronizing, paragraph [0056])

and communicating, from the master device to the bonded device, media file transfer parameters, including definition of the media file metadata that is to be included with a captured media file. (paragraphs [0067]-[0068])

As per claim 15, Grosvenor teaches

communicating, from the master device to the bonded device, media file transfer parameters occurs during the bond approval process (id and time passed new cameras which are thus synchronized, paragraph [0065]).

As per claim 16, Grosvenor teaches

communicating, from the master device to the bonded device, media file transfer parameters occurs after the bond approval process. (reference codes, paragraphs [0106]-[0111])

As per claim 17, Grosvenor teaches

communicating, from the master device to the bonded device, media file transfer parameters, further includes one or more destination addresses for communicating captured media files. (address of repository, paragraph [0100])

As per claim 18, Grosvenor teaches

communicating, from the master device to the bonded device, media file transfer parameters, further includes one or more destination addresses for communicating captured media files, wherein at least one of the destination addresses is the master device address. (paragraph [0100])

As per claim 19, Grosvenor teaches

communicating, from the master device to the bonded device, media file transfer parameters, further includes one or more destination addresses for communicating captured media files, wherein at least one of the destination addresses is an intermediary device address. (paragraph [0100])

As per claim 20, Grosvenor teaches

determining a bond capability of the potential bondable device occurs at the master device. (paragraph [0066])

As per claim 21, Grosvenor teaches

determining a bond capability of the potential bondable device occurs at the potential bondable device. (paragraph [0098])

As per claim 22, Grosvenor teaches

approving the potential bondable device for bonding occurs at the master device. (paragraph [0066])

As per claim 23, Grosvenor teaches

approving the potential bondable device for bonding occurs at the potential bondable device. (paragraph [0098])

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103***

4. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

> (a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

This application currently names joint inventors. In considering patentability of the claims under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), the Office presumes that the subject matter of the various claims was commonly owned at the time any inventions covered therein were made absent any evidence to the contrary. Applicant is advised of the obligation under 37 CFR 1.56 to point out the inventor and invention dates of each claim that was not commonly owned at the time a later invention was made in order for the Office to

consider the applicability of 35 U.S.C. 103(c) and potential 35 U.S.C. 102(e), (f) or (g) prior art under 35 U.S.C. 103(a).

5. Claims 1-13,34,36-53,55,57-68 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable Grosvenor et al. ('Grosvenor' hereinafter) (Publication Number 2003/0021591) in view of Burr (Publication Number 2004/0203797).

As per claim 1, Grosvenor teaches

A digital device, the digital device comprising: (see abstract and background)

a data processor: a communication transceiver in communication with the data processor that is capable of monitoring an environment and receiving communications from one or more devices in the environment; (first users camera, paragraph [0054])

a computer program product comprising a computer-readable medium and computer-readable program instructions stored in the computer-readable medium and comprising: (paragraph [0016])

a bonding application code that is executed by the data processor for bonding the digital device to one or more devices in the environment and recording sharing information received from the one or more bonded devices and information related to the users of the one or more bonded devices; (synchronizing cameras to repository and transferring data from cameras to repository, paragraphs [0066]-[0067])

a media transfer application code that is executed by the data processor for providing media file transfer parameters, the parameters including instructions to

communicate captured media files with a specified set of metadata included in the communication; (synchronize and transfer photographs with time taken to repository, paragraph [0067])

and a memory unit that is in communication with the data processor and configured to stores the information recorded by the bonding application as bonded device metadata information. (picture and time taken stored as reference code, paragraph [0067])

Grosvenor does not explicitly indicate "the sharing information providing information about how to share collected media files with the bonded device".

However, Burr discloses "the sharing information providing information about how to share collected media files with the bonded device" (device in subnetwork may shares its input/output capacity, paragraph [0034]).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine Grosvenor and Burr because using the steps of "the sharing information providing information about how to share collected media files with the bonded device" would have given those skilled in the art the tools to improve the invention by communicate with other devices on a wireless network. This gives the user the advantage of being able to share data with other users.

As per claim 2, Grosvenor teaches

a wherein the communication transceiver is configured to receive from the one or more bonded devices media files having associated media file metadata information. (paragraphs [0067]-[0068])

As per claim 3, Grosvenor teaches

a display and the computer-readable program instructions further comprising a grouping application code, wherein the grouping application code is executed by the processor and provides for display of a group mode menu structure that allows a device user to define a group event. (paragraph [0057])

As per claim 4, Grosvenor teaches

the grouping application code further provides for creation of a group file related to the group event, the group file for providing storage for media files associated with the event. (paragraph [0059])

As per claim 5, Grosvenor teaches

the grouping application code further provides for display of a group mode menu structure that allows a device user to communicate stored media files and media file metadata information to one or more bonded devices. (paragraph [0057])

As per claim 6, Grosvenor teaches

the grouping application code further provides for display of a group mode menu structure that allows a device user to select an automatic communication mode that automatically communicates, upon receipt, media files and media file metadata information to one or more bonded devices in accordance with the sharing information. (paragraph [0075])

As per claim 7, Grosvenor teaches

a metadata correlation application code executed by the data processor for combining the received media file metadata information with the bonded device metadata information. (paragraph [0069])

As per claim 8, Grosvenor teaches

the communication transceiver is configured to communicate the one or more received media files and the combined metadata to one or more remote devices. (paragraph [0067])

As per claim 9, Grosvenor teaches

the communication transceiver communicates the one or more received media files and the combined metadata to one or more remote devices according to one or more remote device addresses stored as bonded device metadata information. (paragraph [0100])

As per claim 10, Grosvenor teaches

the media transfer application code further provides for the media file transfer parameters to be communicated to the one or more bonded devices. (paragraph [0094])

As per claim 11, Grosvenor teaches

the media transfer application code that provides for media file transfer parameters to be communicated to the one or more bonded devices further defines the media file transfer parameters as including instructions for transmitting media files captured at the one or more bonded devices. (paragraph [0099])

As per claim 12, Grosvenor teaches

a media file collection application code executed by the data processor for organizing media files received from the one or more bonded devices according to the media file metadata information. (paragraph [0060])

As per claim 13, Grosvenor teaches

the communication transceiver is further defined as a short-range communication transceiver. (paragraph [0062])

As per claim 24, Grosvenor teaches

A method for communicating media files and associated media file metadata from a bonded device to a master device, the method comprising: (see abstract and background)

and communicating a plurality of media files from the one or more bonded devices to the master device, (synchronize and transfer photographs with time taken to repository, paragraph [0067]) the plurality of media files having metadata information as defined by the predetermined media file transfer parameters. (picture and time taken stored as reference code, paragraph [0067])

Grosvenor does not explicitly indicate "bonding one or more slave devices to a master device according to predetermined media file transfer parameters communicated to the slave device from the master device".

However, Burr discloses "bonding one or more slave devices to a master device according to predetermined media file transfer parameters communicated to the slave device from the master device" (device in subnetwork may shares its input/output capacity, paragraph [0034]).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine Grosvenor and Burr because using the steps of "bonding one or more slave devices to a master device according to predetermined media file transfer parameters communicated to the slave device from the master device" would have given those skilled in the art the tools to improve the invention by communicate with other devices on a wireless network. This gives the user the advantage of being able to share data with other users.

As per claim 25, Grosvenor teaches

combining, at the master device, the metadata information of the plurality of media files into a master media file. (paragraph [0067])

As per claim 26, Grosvenor teaches

combining, at the master device, the metadata information of the plurality of media files into a master metadata file. (paragraph [0067])

As per claim 27, Grosvenor teaches

communicating the master media file to one or more of the slave devices. (paragraph [0067])

As per claim 28, Grosvenor teaches

communicating the master media file to one or more non-bonded devices. (paragraph [0067])

As per claim 29, Grosvenor teaches

recording, at the master device, metadata information related to the one or more bonded devices. (paragraph [0073])

As per claim 30, Grosvenor teaches

correlating, at the master device, the bonded device metadata information with the media file metadata information. (paragraph [0082])

As per claim 31, Grosvenor teaches

A method for communicating media files and associated media file metadata from a master device to a bonded device, the method comprising: (see abstract and background)

bonding one or more remote devices to a master device according to predetermined media file transfer parameters; recording, at the master device, bonded device metadata information; (automatically, paragraph [0075])

receiving a media file at the master device from one or more of the bonded remote devices, the media file having associated media file metadata information; (synchronize and transfer photographs with time taken to repository with picture and time taken stored as reference code, paragraph [0067])

Grosvenor does not explicitly indicate "bonding one or more remote devices to a master device according to predetermined media file transfer parameters; recording, at the master device, bonded device metadata information", "and communicating the media file, the media file metadata and the bonded device metadata information from the master device to one or more of the bonded devices or to another remote device".

However, Burr discloses "bonding one or more remote devices to a master device according to predetermined media file transfer parameters; recording, at the master device, bonded device metadata information" (device in subnetwork may shares

its input/output capacity, paragraph [0034]), "and communicating the media file, the media file metadata and the bonded device metadata information from the master device to one or more of the bonded devices or to another remote device" (devices connect through intervening devices and share data, paragraphs [0029],[0032]).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine Grosvenor and Burr because using the steps of "bonding one or more remote devices to a master device according to predetermined media file transfer parameters; recording, at the master device, bonded device metadata information", "and communicating the media file, the media file metadata and the bonded device metadata information from the master device to one or more of the bonded devices or to another remote device" would have given those skilled in the art the tools to improve the invention by communicate with other devices on a wireless network. This gives the user the advantage of being able to share data with other users.

As per claim 32, Grosvenor teaches

combining, at the master device, the bonded device metadata information and the media file metadata information. (paragraph [0067])

As per claim 33, Grosvenor teaches

bonding one or more remote devices to a master device according to predetermined media file transfer parameters further defines the predetermined media file transfer parameters as including criteria for bonding a device. (paragraph [0075])

As per claim 34, Grosvenor teaches

A system for communicating media files and assembling a collection of associated media files, the system comprising: (see abstract and background)

a master device that monitors an environment for slave devices and includes: a processor that executes a bonding application code to bond the master device to one or more slave devices, (repository, paragraph [0067[)

a memory device in communication with the processor that stores metadata information related to one or more slave devices and the users of the one or more slave devices, (camera specific information stored, paragraph [0067])

and a computer program product comprising a computer-readable medium and computer-readable program instructions stored therein, the computer-readable program instructions comprising a media transfer application code that provides media file transfer parameters that include instructions for creation of media file metadata information; (synchronize and transfer photographs with time taken to repository with picture and time taken stored as reference code, paragraph [0067])

Grosvenor does not explicitly indicate "and one or more slave devices that are bonded to the master device by successful execution of the bonding application code, wherein the one or more slave devices capture media files and communicate the captured media files to one or more devices that include a processor and a computer program product comprising a computer-readable medium and computer-readable program instructions stored therein with the computer-readable program instructions

comprising a media file collection application code for communicating the collection of media files to one or more devices".

However, Burr discloses "and one or more slave devices that are bonded to the master device by successful execution of the bonding application code, wherein the one or more slave devices capture media files and communicate the captured media files to one or more devices that include a processor and a computer program product comprising a computer-readable medium and computer-readable program instructions stored therein with the computer-readable program instructions comprising a media file collection application code for communicating the collection of media files to one or more devices". (devices connect through intervening devices and share data, paragraphs [0029],[0032])

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine Grosvenor and Burr because using the steps of "and one or more slave devices that are bonded to the master device by successful execution of the bonding application code, wherein the one or more slave devices capture media files and communicate the captured media files to one or more devices that include a processor and a computer program product comprising a computer-readable medium and computer-readable program instructions stored therein with the computer-readable program instructions comprising a media file collection application code for communicating the collection of media files to one or more devices" would have given those skilled in the art the tools to improve the invention by communicate

with other devices on a wireless network. This gives the user the advantage of being able to share data with other users.

As per claim 36, Grosvenor teaches

the one or more devices that include processors that execute a media file collection application code include the master device. (paragraph [0067])

As per claim 37, Grosvenor teaches

the media file collection application code is further configured for categorizing the media files in relation to the media file metadata information. (paragraph [0060])

As per claim 38, Grosvenor teaches

the media file collection application code is further configured for assembling the media files in a master media file. (paragraph [0067])

As per claim 39, Grosvenor teaches

the media file collection application code is further configured for communicating the collection of media files mast to one or more of the slave devices. (paragraph [0073])

As per claim 40, Grosvenor teaches

the media file collection application code is further configured for communicating the collection of media files to one or more non-bonded devices. (paragraph [0073])

As per claim 41, Grosvenor teaches

the media file collection application code is further configured for combining metadata related to the captured media files to form a master metadata file. (paragraph [0069])

As per claim 42, Grosvenor teaches

the master device communicates file transfer parameters to the one or more slave devices. (paragraph [0094])

As per claim 43, Grosvenor teaches

the master device communicates file transfer parameters to the one or more slave devices and the file transfer parameters include a device address of a device having a processor that executes a media file collection application code. (paragraph [0073])

As per claim 44, Grosvenor teaches

the master device communicates file transfer parameters to the one or more slave devices and the file transfer parameters include definition of at least one item of the media file metadata information. (paragraph [0075])

As per claim 45, Grosvenor teaches

the one or more slave devices capture media files and communicate, according to the file transfer parameters, the captured media files to one or more devices having processors that execute a media file collection application code. (paragraph [0074])

As per claim 46, Grosvenor teaches

the master device further comprises a media capture device that captures media files having associated media file metadata information. (paragraph [0067]-[0068])

As per claim 47, Grosvenor teaches

the master device further comprises a display and wherein the computer-readable program instructions further comprise a grouping application code, the grouping application code is executed by the processor and provides for display of a group mode menu structure that allows a device user to define a group event. (paragraph [0057])

As per claim 48, Grosvenor teaches

the grouping application code further provides for creation of a group file related to the group event, the group file provides storage for media files associated with the event. (paragraph [0057])

As per claim 49, Grosvenor teaches

the grouping application code further provides for display of a group mode menu structure that allows a device user to communicate stored media files and media file metadata information to one or more bonded devices. (paragraph [0057])

As per claim 50, Grosvenor teaches

the grouping application code further provides for display of a group mode menu structure that allows a device user to select an automatic communication mode that automatically communicates, upon capture, media files and media file metadata information to one or more bonded devices. (paragraph [0057])

As per claim 51, Grosvenor teaches

the one or more slave devices communicate the captured media files to one or more devices by wireless communication chosen from the group consisting of Bluetooth, wireless local area network (WLAN), radio frequency identification (RFID) and wireless telecom network. (paragraph [0062])

As per claim 52, Grosvenor teaches

A system for communicating media files and assembling a collection of media files, the system comprising: (see abstract and background)

a master device that provides bonding capability; (repository, paragraph [0067])

a media file collection device in communication with the master device; (camera, paragraph [0067])

and one or more slave devices that bond with the master device and communicate with the master device during a bond period, wherein the slave devices capture media files during the bond period and communicate the captured media files and associated media file metadata to the media file collection device (cameras take and transfer photographs to repository with time taken, paragraphs [0066]-[0067])

wherein the media file collection device comprises a computer readable storage medium having computer-readable program instructions embodied in the medium, the computer-readable program instructions include instructions for combining a plurality of media files communicated from the one or more slave devices to form a collection of media files associated with the bond period, (repository, paragraph [0067])

Grosvenor does not explicitly indicate "and instructions for communicating at least a portion of the combined plurality of media files to a device based on sharing information parameters".

However, Burr discloses "and instructions for communicating at least a portion of the combined plurality of media files to a device based on sharing information parameters" (devices connect through intervening devices and share data, paragraphs [0029],[0032]).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine Grosvenor and Burr because using the steps of "and instructions for communicating at least a portion of the combined plurality of media files

to a device based on sharing information parameters" would have given those skilled in the art the tools to improve the invention by communicate with other devices on a wireless network. This gives the user the advantage of being able to share data with other users.

As per claim 53, Grosvenor teaches

the master device comprises the media file collection device. (paragraph [0067])

As per claim 55, Grosvenor teaches

an intermediary device that comprises the media file collection device. (paragraph [0072])

As per claim 57, Grosvenor teaches

the one or more slave devices communicate the captured media files and associated media file metadata to the master device, which in turn communicates the captured media files and associated media file metadata to the media file collection device embodied in the intermediary device. (paragraph [0072])

As per claim 58, Grosvenor teaches

correlating the media file metadata. (paragraph [0082]-[0083])

As per claim 59, Grosvenor teaches

correlating the media file metadata and calendar event metadata. (paragraph [0064])

As per claim 60, Grosvenor teaches

combining the media file metadata to form a master metadata file related to the media files captured during the bond period. (paragraph [0067])

As per claim 61, Grosvenor teaches

adding additional metadata to the master metadata file. (paragraph [0069])

As per claim 62, Grosvenor teaches

adding additional metadata to the master metadata file, the additional metadata chosen from the group consisting of bookmark metadata, annotation metadata and comment metadata. (paragraph [0067]-[0068])

As per claim 63, Grosvenor teaches

communicating at least a portion of the combined plurality of media files to a device based on sharing information parameters includes instructions for communicating the collection of media files to one or more of the slave devices. (paragraph [0093]-[0099])

As per claim 64, Grosvenor teaches

communicating at least a portion of the combined plurality of media files to a device based on sharing information parameters includes instructions for communicating the collection of media files to one or more non-bonded devices. (paragraph [0073])

As per claim 65, Grosvenor teaches

the one or more slave devices bond with the master device by a wireless communication medium chosen from the group consisting of Bluetooth, wireless local area network (WLAN), radio frequency identification (RFID) and wireless telecom network. (paragraph [0062])

As per claim 66, Grosvenor teaches

the one or more slave devices communicate the sharing information parameters to the master device. (paragraph [0076])

As per claim 67, Grosvenor teaches

the one or more slave devices communicate the sharing information parameters to the master device, which in turn communicates the sharing information parameters to the intermediary device. (paragraph [0072])

As per claim 68, Grosvenor teaches

communicating the collection of media files to one or more devices include instructions for communicating the collection of media files based on sharing information parameters received from the one or more slave devices or from the master device. (paragraph [0072])

***Response to Arguments***

6. Applicant's arguments with respect to claim 1-13, 24-34, 36-53, 55, 57-68 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

7. Applicant's arguments regarding claims 14-23 filed 10/30/06 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

With regards to Applicant's argument that Grosvenor does not disclose bonding the master device to another device by the recited steps of monitoring, receiving, determining, and approving, it is noted that Grosvenor discloses monitoring (cameras synchronize with repository, paragraph [0060]), receiving (repository receives photographs from cameras, paragraph [0067]), determining, (compatible cameras, paragraph [0056]), and approving (password, paragraph [0060]). Therefore Grosvenor discloses the limitations.

With regards to Applicant's argument that Grosvenor does not disclose a method of bonding the camera where the first camera monitors an area and receives a

presence signal from another camera, and where the bonding capability of the other camera is determined and approved, it is noted that Grosvenor discloses venues such as football stadiums or theme parks where cameras can be synchronized (paragraph [0062]), and compatible cameras are required (paragraph [0056]) and passwords can be used (paragraph [0060]). Therefore Grosvenor discloses the limitation.

***Conclusion***

**THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

The prior art made of record, listed on form PTO-892, and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jay A. Morrison whose telephone number is (571) 272-7112. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8-4:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Tim Vo can be reached on (571) 272-3642. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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